

## FREMONT GARDEN CLUB

On Saturday, December 4, 2010, the FGC met to decorate the Town buildings with swags of greenery and kissing balls, all topped with red velvet ribbons for the holiday season. The decorations were made at the November workshop by the members of the Fremont Garden Club. Buildings decorated include the Fremont Town Hall, Old Meeting House, Safety Complex, Fremont Public Library, Fremont Historic Museum, and the Town signs on Routes 107 and 111A. In addition, kissing balls were hung at the Fremont Pizzeria, long-time sponsor of the FGC.

Thank you to all of the members who made this event possible. The next meeting of the FGC will be held on January 25, 2011 at the Fremont Public Library at 7:00 pm with Guest Speaker Douglas McElroy of Newton Greenhouse.

## HIKE & SEEK CONTEST MONTH 3

Wow, it is hard to believe that we are half way through the contest! Did you make it to the Oak Ridge parking lot last month? Isn't Meetinghouse Road an adventure? Did you check out the new blazing on the Marsh trail? Now, in order to answer the question for January you will have to get out of your car!

**In the Glen Oakes town forest, what color are the "blazes" on the Woodland Trail?** (A "blaze" is a painted mark on a tree to identify the trail.)

We also have a Bonus Question for January. **Who or what was the "Glen" in Glen Oakes?**

If you missed either of the first two months' questions it's not too late. Go to the town's website, <http://fremont.nh.gov/fnhgosc1.shtml> and scroll down to "Fremont Hike and Seek Contest - click here for rules". You can get all the questions to date and the full set of rules.

## FREMONT CONSIDERS SAFE ROUTES TO SCHOOLS – WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The Town of Fremont Parks & Recreation Commission is hosting an informational meeting with John Corrigan from the "Safe Routes to Schools" Program On Tuesday, January 4, 2011 at 6:30 pm at the Fremont Town Hall main floor meeting room. Join us to learn more through an interactive Power-Point Presentation on how Fremont can obtain State funding through Government Grants to build sidewalks on our Main Street and adjoining neighborhoods.

Childcare will be provided in the lower level for those who need it! For More Info Contact Nicole Cloutier at 244 2755 or by email at [nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com](mailto:nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com). To learn more about "Safe Routes To Schools" visit their website at: <http://www.nh.gov/dot/org/projectdevelopment/planning/srts/>

## DOG LICENSES FOR 2011

**Dog License Reminder:** The 2011 dog license tags will be available beginning Monday, January 03, 2011. A current rabies certificate is required for licensing your dog(s) as the Clerks office is required by law to retain a copy of the vaccination certificate. You may call the office to inquire if the rabies certificate on file is still valid. Please be sure to license your dog(s) by April 30<sup>th</sup> to prevent the initiation of a late penalty of \$1.00 per month. As required by RSA 466:1, all dogs must be licensed each year by April 30<sup>th</sup>. For your convenience, the license(s) can be mailed for an additional fee of \$1.00 per license or you can also license your dog(s) online by going to the Town Clerks page on the Town's website at [Fremont.nh.gov](http://Fremont.nh.gov) and click E-Dog. If you no longer have your dog, we ask that you please contact the Clerks office at 895-8693 so we can update our records accordingly.

## PLAYGROUP UPDATES

Join the Fremont Playgroup every Friday from 10:15 to 11:30 am for play, snack, story time, and caregiver to caregiver chat! The cost is just \$3 per child for Gym, and free if child is not yet walking, and is

always free at the Fremont Public Library. There is no Registration or Membership, just come and play when you can make it!

Upcoming Playdates are as follows: Dec 31, and Jan 7: No Playgroup for Christmas Break. Jan 14: Playgroup Starts 2011 Season at Brentwood Commons Gym! More Dates to Come! For questions contact Nicole Cloutier via email at: [nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com](mailto:nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com), call 244 2755, or visit us on Facebook under Fremont Playgroup.



## SB2 AND FREMONT SCHOOL DISTRICT – WHAT THIS MEANS TO YOU!

The Town of Fremont voted to adopt SB2 for the method of voting for the Fremont School District as of March 2011.

### *What does this change mean to you?*

Instead of voting for the school budget at the School District Meeting, a Deliberative Session will be held on Saturday, February 5<sup>th</sup> at 9AM in the Ellis School Gym at which time all School Warrants including the proposed School Budget will be presented to the voters. During this Deliberative Session, all registered voters are allowed to attend and amend the Warrant Articles with motions made from the floor. This is much like the process that occurred at the Traditional School District Meeting in the past however voting on the final budget does not occur at this session. This is the big difference. After the Deliberative Session the final School Warrants are then placed on an official ballot and voters actually go to the voting booth on March 8, 2011 to cast their vote.

### *Please mark your calendars with these important dates:*

Fremont School District Deliberative Session

February 5, 2011 – 9:00 am Ellis School Gym

February 12, 2011 – 9:00 am – Snow date

Fremont School District Ballot Voting

March 8, 2011 – 7:00 am to 8:00 pm Fremont Safety Complex

### *Deliberative Session – Do you need to attend?*

It is important to note that the Deliberative Session is a very important part of the SB2 process which gives the voters the opportunity to weigh in on what is placed on the official ballot. Just as the Traditional School District Meeting allowed voters to speak and amend warrant articles and school budget appropriations, so to does the Deliberative Session. Don't miss out on your chance to participate, learn and understand what will be voted on at the polls on March 8<sup>th</sup>.

The Fremont School District would like to thank you for your past support. We look forward to your participation and continued support at both the upcoming Deliberative Session and the Election.

## FREMONT PARKS & RECREATION PAT'S PEAK EVENTS

Throughout January, February and March on Saturdays from 3-10 pm, all can enjoy a day of "Pay-One-Price" skiing, snow tubing, and snowboarding fun! Tubing starts at 5 pm. The price is \$36 per person and includes lift ticket, tubing, rental equipment (except for helmets), bon-fire and live entertainment! Children 5 and under are free, with the exception of \$18 rental equipment if needed. Children must be 42 inches tall AND 5 years old for tubing). You don't have to be from Fremont, invite friends to enjoy! Dates are as follows: January 1 and 22, February 5 and 19, and March 12. This event is facilitated by the Fremont Parks & Recreation Commission. Payment for Event due the Saturday previous to the event. For more info contact Nicole Cloutier at [nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com](mailto:nicolecloutier725@yahoo.com) or 568-8151.

## **VOLUNTEER POSITION OPEN BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBER**

There is currently a vacancy for a three month, volunteer, appointed position to the Fremont Budget Committee. In general, the position requires attendance at 12-14 evening meetings per year, busiest during the budget season between September and February annually.

The Fremont Budget Committee is accepting letters of interest from any Fremont resident/registered voter who may have knowledge in financial matters or interest in such a position. A desire to serve the community and an interest in finances and budgetary matters of the Town and School District are a must.

Interested candidates should address a letter to the Fremont Budget Committee Chairman and send them by regular mail to: Chairman, Fremont Budget Committee, PO Box 120, Fremont NH 03044-0120; or to [budgetcommittee@fremont.nh.gov](mailto:budgetcommittee@fremont.nh.gov) if sent by email. Please provide contact information and any background and personal information that you would like to share to introduce yourself to the Committee. Following the completion of this term in March, the position returns to an elected position as of March 2011. The position remains open until filled by appointment of the remaining Budget Committee members.

Questions can be directed to the Selectmen's Office at 895 2226. Interested candidates are also highly encouraged to attend any of the remaining Committee meetings (January 5, 2011 at 7:00 pm; January 8, 2011 at 8:00 am; January 11, 2011 at 7:00 pm; and January 13, 2011 at 7:00 pm). Meetings are generally posted in the Newsletter, at Town Buildings, and on the Town's website at [www.Fremont.nh.gov](http://www.Fremont.nh.gov)

## **FREMONT 250TH ANNIVERSARY**

The next meeting of the Fremont 250th Anniversary Committee will take place on Wednesday January 19, 2011 at 7:00 pm at the Fremont Safety Complex. Anyone interested in joining the Committee is welcome to attend. Fourteen members attended the first meeting held on November 18th and officers were elected and exploratory committees formed to look into the feasibility of various proposed events and activities. Fremont will celebrate it's 250th Anniversary in 2014. It was incorporated as the Town of Poplin on June 22, 1764 and the name changed to Fremont on July 8, 1854. For more information please call Matthew Thomas at 895-4032.

## **BUILDING & LAND USE OFFICE HOURS**

Due to the economy and budgetary concerns, the Building Inspection and Land Use Offices will see some changes in 2011. The office hours will be reduced from the current full-time status to part-time. The Office hours for each office will include three open days per week; and will always be closed on Friday.

The Land Use Office will be open beginning on January 4, 2011 on Tuesday from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm and 1:00 to 4:00 pm; Wednesday and Thursday from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. A Building Inspections schedule will be formulated and will be posted as soon as it is complete. Check Town buildings and the website for updated and additional information.

## **WINTER HAZARDS**

### **SAFETY/HEALTH OFFICIALS WARN OF WINTER HAZARDS**

Winter brings with it some special hazards, in addition to cold weather and slick roadways. The heating season carries an increased threat of carbon monoxide poisoning. State Fire Marshal Bill Degnan warns that the most common sources of carbon monoxide are heating systems and generators. Cooking appliances, space heaters and motor vehicles left running in attached garages or adjacent to buildings can also be dangerous sources of CO. Carbon monoxide is colorless, odorless and tasteless. The only way to tell if it is present is with a CO detector.

Another problem is that the early symptoms of CO poisoning, such as headache and fatigue, are the same as early flu symptoms. With increased concerns about H1N1 this year and seasonal flu, symptoms of CO poisoning may be mistaken for flu. Degnan says anyone who may have been exposed to CO should immediately be taken to fresh air.

In addition, the Department of Environmental Services is warning about snow and ice damage to outdoor fuel storage tanks. DES recommends keeping fuel tanks, filters and piping free of ice and snow and protecting that equipment from ice and snow falling from roofs. Leaks from natural gas and propane tanks are an explosion and fire hazard. Leaks from fuel oil tanks are a danger to property and the environment.

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## **WINTER PARKING BAN REMINDER**

It is unlawful for any person to stop, stand or park a motor vehicle at any time contrary to any of the following provisions of this Section unless otherwise directed by a Police Officer.

1. Within the Town of Fremont, from November 15 to April 1, no parking is permitted on any public street or any town-owned right of way, or in any town-owned parking lot between 12:00 midnight and 6:00 AM; and
2. In the event of a winter snowstorm requiring snow plowing and/or removal as deemed necessary by the Fremont Road Agent, it shall be unlawful for any person having custody and/or control of any vehicle to park or cause the same to be parked within the public right of way, or on any public street or any town-owned right of way during a snow storm. Vehicles interfering with snow plowing or removal operations shall be towed at the owner's expense.

## **PART-TIME BUILDING INSPECTOR IMMEDIATE OPENING**

The Town of Fremont is a rural community of 4,400; seeking qualified applicants for a part-time, 24 hours per week, Building Inspector/Code Enforcement Officer. Requires processing of permits, a wide variety of inspections (septic, building, plumbing, electrical, mechanical, etc); zoning compliance and code enforcement duties.

Excellent recordkeeping, organizational, written and interpersonal skills are a must. Working knowledge of ICC and NFPA Codes and NH Statutes and local rules and regulations preferred. Background in building or related trades preferred. Successful candidate will be required to submit to a complete background check. Some evening hours required. Job description available on request from the Selectmen's Office or is available on the web with the notice at [www.Fremont.nh.gov](http://www.Fremont.nh.gov). The notice is posted on the home page under Career Opportunities. Compensation commensurate with experience.

Interested candidates should submit a resume, three letters of reference, and cover letter to Board of Selectmen, PO Box 120, Fremont NH 03044-0120 as soon as possible. Position will remain open until a suitable candidate is found. EOE.

## **4H CLUB**

**Peppermint Ponies 4H Club** - Does your child love horses?

Girls, boys 5 - 18 years are welcome to club meetings to learn more about horses, ponies, 4H and group, hands-on activities. No experience or horse ownership necessary. Contact Jan Brubacher, Leader at 303 1584, [j.brubacher@comcast.net](mailto:j.brubacher@comcast.net) or [www.northroadfarm.com](http://www.northroadfarm.com).

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